GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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KILLING OF PERSONS BY BLUE LINE BUSES AND TRUCKS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of persons killed/ injured by blue line buses and trucks in Delhi, gender-wise during 2007 and 2008 till date separately in comparison to Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai;

(b) the total number of such drivers and bus/truck operators arrested by the Government during the said period and action taken against them;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to amend the Motor Vehicle Act to make the punishment more stringent; and

(d) if so, the time by when the said amendment is likely to be made?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRIMATI RADHIKA V. SELVI)

(a) & (b): The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) does not compile and maintain specific data on the persons killed or injured in the accidents by blue line buses. However, as per the latest reports, details of persons killed gender-wise by private buses and by Government and private trucks/lorries compiled by NCRB for the year 2005 and 2006 in respect of Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai are given in annexure.NCRB does not compile and maintain data regarding number of drivers and bus operators arrested and action taken against them. As far as NCT of Delhi is concerned, the requisite information is given below:

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Year  Type of Vehicle  Persons Killed  Seriously injured


     Male Female  Male Female


2007  Blue Line Buses  136 27  301 22


  Trucks   285 20  636 39


2008  Blue Line Buses  21 4  66 8

(upto
31st March Trucks   57 5  140 4
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Year Type of Vehicle Persons arrested

2007 Blue Line Buses 518
Trucks 618

2008 Blue Line Buses 67

(upto 31st March) Trucks 161
(c) & (d): With a view to enhance penalties provided for various traffic offences under the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988 to make them more deterrent,the Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Bill,2007 has been introduced in the Rajya Sabha on 15.5.2007.